# PUBLIC NOTICE JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE INCREASES AND OTHER ADJUSTMENTS WITH RESPECT TO JCP&L'S TARIFF RATES AND CHARGES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE, AND WITH RESPECT TO OTHER PROPOSED TARIFF CHARGES AND REVISIONS

AND

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS THEREON

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that on February 18, 2020 Jersey Central Power & Light Company ("JCP&L" or "Company") filed a Verified Petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board"), under BPU Docket No. ER20020146, and Office of Administrative Law ("OAL") Docket No. PUC 04343-2020N, together with supporting appendices, testimony, exhibits and schedules and revised tariff sheets. The Verified Petition seeks the Board's approval of proposed overall increases in and/or other adjustments to JCP&L's various tariff rates, and charges for electric service, and for approval of other proposed tariff charges and revisions, which were proposed to become effective for service rendered on and after March 19, 2020, or at such later date as the Board may determine.

Based upon the Verified Petition, the proposed new rates would yield an overall net operating revenue increase of approximately \$185.3 million, representing an overall revenue increase of about 7.8% as compared to the same current annualized tariff rates and revenues. The annual percentage increase applicable

to specific customers will vary according to the applicable rate schedule and the level of the customer's usage.

Copies of the Verified Petition and all related documents are posted on the Company's website at:

www.firstenergycorp.com/jersey\_central\_power\_light/regulatory.html

The following comparisons of present and proposed rates will permit customers to determine the approximate net effect upon them of the proposed increases and adjustments in rates. Any assistance required by customers in this regard will be furnished by the Company upon request. Please note that the Board in its discretion may apply all or any portion of whatever rate increases the Board may ultimately allow to other rate schedules or in a different manner than what JCP&L has proposed in its filings. Accordingly, the final rates and charges to be determined by the Board in this proceeding may be different than what JCP&L has described herein.

## **Summary of Customer Impact**

Residential Average Bill (Includes 6.625% Sales and Use Tax)				Overall Class Average Per Customer (Includes 6.625% Sales and Use Tax)			
Residential (RS)	Current Monthly Bill (1)	Proposed Monthly Bill (2)	Proposed Monthly Increase	Rate Class	Current Monthly Bill (1)	Proposed Monthly Bill (2)	Proposed % Increase
500 kWh average monthly usage 1000 kWh average monthly usage 1500 kWh average monthly usage <b>Residential Time-of-Day (RT)</b>	\$64.27 \$132.93 \$203.39	\$69.25 \$143.93 \$220.93	\$4.98 \$11.00 \$17.54	Residential (RS) Residential Time of Day (RT/RGT) General Service - Secondary (GS) General Service - Secondary Time of Day (GST)	\$106.45 \$151.51 \$575.86 \$23,902.87	\$115.93 \$162.91 \$617.23 \$25,524.45	8.9% 7.5% 7.2% 6.8%
500 kWh average monthly usage 1000 kWh average monthly usage 1500 kWh average monthly usage	\$73.24 \$141.28 \$209.33	\$80.06 \$152.10 \$224.14	\$6.82 \$10.82 \$14.81	General Service - Primary (GP) General Service - Transmission (GT) Lighting (Average Per Fixture) (1) Rates eff	\$30,916.26 \$77,919.17 \$10.47 fective 2/1/2020 (;	\$32,507.42 \$80,905.50 \$11.75 2) Proposed rate	5.2% 3.8% 12.2% s effective TBD

The Company also proposed other tariff revisions and related charges, some of which would apply to all customers and others that would apply only to those customers whose requests or actions give rise to the related costs. Descriptions of all such proposed tariff revisions are included in Exhibits JC-3, JC-7, JC-12 and JC-13, and their associated schedules.

Notice of these filings together with a statement of the effect thereof on customers are being served upon the clerk, executive, or administrator of each municipality and county within the Company's service areas. Such notice has also been served, together with the Verified Petition, tariff, rate schedules and all other exhibits, upon the Director of the Division of Rate Counsel, who will represent the interests of ratepayers in these proceedings.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that two (2) telephonic public comment hearings on the Company's Verified Petition have been scheduled on the following days and times:

#### Thursday, September 10, 2020, beginning at 1:30 P.M.

Members of the public wishing to attend the meeting should follow the following instructions:

- Call in numbers (caller may use any of the following s phone numbers): +1 646 558 8656;
- Upon calling in, the caller will be prompted to enter the meeting ID of **831 3602 2681** and press the pound or hashtag button (#);
- The caller will then be prompted to press the pound or hashtag button (#) a second time;
- The caller will then be prompted to enter the following password followed by the pound or hashtag button (#): 606471;
- The caller will then be entered into the waiting room where the OAL staff will admit the caller into the public hearing.
- The caller should mute their phone to prevent background noise. Failure to mute your own line may cause the OAL staff to mute the caller and the caller would have to disconnect and call back in to participate in the public discussion portion of the hearing.

#### Thursday, September 10, beginning at 5:30 P.M.

Members of the public wishing to attend the meeting should follow the following instructions:

- Call in numbers (caller may use any of the following phone numbers): +1 646 558 8656;
- Upon calling in, the caller will be prompted to enter the meeting ID of 850 3504 5469 and press the pound or hashtag button (#);

- The caller will then be prompted to press the pound or hashtag button (#) a second time;
- The caller will then be prompted to enter the following password followed by the pound or hashtag button (#): **585696**;
- The caller will then be entered into the waiting room where the OAL staff will admit the caller into the public hearing.
- The caller should mute their phone to prevent background noise. Failure to mute your own line may cause the OAL staff to mute the caller and the caller would have to disconnect and call back in to participate in the public discussion portion of the hearing.

An Administrative Law Judge from the Office of Administrative Law will preside over the telephonic public hearings. Representatives from the Company, Board Staff, and the Division of Rate Counsel will participate in the telephonic public hearings. Members of the public are invited to participate and express their views regarding the proposed rate increase and tariff changes. Such comments will be made part of the final record and will be taken into consideration by the Board and the Administrative Law Judge.

The Office of Administrative Law and the Board is also accepting written and emailed comments. Written and emailed comments will be provided the same weight as statements made at the virtual hearings. Although both will be given equal consideration, the preferred method of transmittal is via email to ensure timely receipt due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Written and emailed comments must be submitted simultaneously to both the Board and the Office of Administrative Law. Written comments should be submitted to the Board Secretary, Aida Camacho, at the Board of Public Utilities, 44 South Clinton Avenue, 9th Floor, P.O. Box 350, Trenton, NJ 08625-0350, and the Honorable Irene Jones, Office of Administrative Law, 33 Washington Street, Newark, NJ 07102, by September 30, 2020. Please include the OAL Docket No PUC 04343-2020N in your comment letter Email comments should be submitted to: board. secretary@bpu.nj.gov and Maria.Montaner@oal.nj.gov.

In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit any requests for special accommodations, including interpreters, at least 48 hours prior to this hearing by contacting Clerk of the OAL at (609) 689-4034.

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